

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 96-375-C – ORDER NO. 97-897  
OCTOBER 17, 1997

IN RE: Petition of AT&T Communications of the Southern  
States, Inc. for Arbitration with GTE South, Inc.

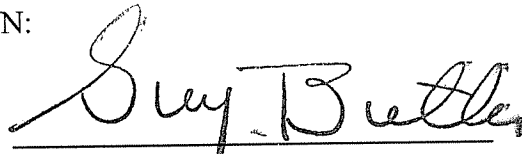
) FURTHER  
) ORDER ON  
) ARBITRATION

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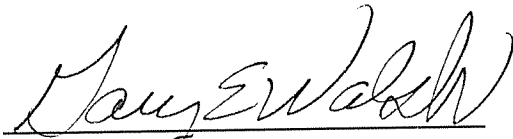
This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for further discussion of the arbitration matter between AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T) and GTE South, Inc. (GTE). There have been questions from the parties about the effect of the ruling of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals on this Commission's arbitration decision in this matter, and what final agreement should result therefrom. After due consideration, we reaffirm our original decision in Order No. 97-211, and hold that the Commission Staff shall prepare the final agreement pursuant to that Order. The parties are hereby required to sign the agreement, based on that Order. If either of the parties disagree with any portion of the Order, the parties may pursue such other remedies as may be provided by law.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the  
Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Deputy Executive Director

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